

Department of Developmental Services (DDS)
Disabilities Advisory Committee (DAC)

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 15, 2010
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Members Attended

Victoria King
Peggy Peter
Dianne Robbins
Beth Muehe

Other Attending

Nicole Patterson
Antoinette Johnson

Victoria King called meeting to order at 10:37 a.m.

Motion to approve minutes from November Meeting. Motion passed

Motion to correct Section II: Purpose of DAC Bylaws. Currently states "Government Code Section 19575 (b) (1)" motion to revise to "Government Code Section 19795 (b) (1)" Motion passed. Beth to send amended bylaws to Chief of OHRAS for approval.

Statewide Disabilities Advisory Committee (SDAC) Meeting

Report provided by Dianne Robbins:

Nicole Patterson and Lynn Hilbourn of OHRAS attended event as well.

Majority of attendees were EEO Officers.

Topics discussed:

- Jake Johnson (president of ACSSED) was the main speaker at this event.
- LEAP employees also talked about LEAP employment.
- CA Model Employer Initiative (EO S-6-04); Governor wants CA to be model employer of people with disabilities (CMEI)
- Upcoming event from ACSSED in conjunction with SDAC.
- National Disability Employment Awareness Committee-Dianne on committee serving in the area of venue and logistics.
- Disabilities Summit in July
- Co-Chair position transition

Multiple Chemical Sensitivity

Report provided by Peggy Peter:

- Recent problems (past 20 years)
- Physicians struggle to diagnosis
- Delaware first lawsuit for not accommodating
- No California law at this time
- More information to follow
- Information to be prepared for DAC website on Oasis

Evacuation for mobility impaired persons at DDS

Discussion lead by Antoinette Johnson, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator

- Currently working on grant for evacuation chairs
- Concerns over number of evacuation chairs (more employees than chairs?)

Concerns surrounding the currently evacuation plan in place:

- Message to those with mobility impairments "stay out of the way of evacuating employees"

Suggestions to improve plan in place

- Return to the use of the walkie talkies previously used at Bateson Building
- Train all willing employees to properly move employees with mobility impairments.
- Reminders for employees to fill out form for assistance during evacuation. Victoria to email Chief of OHRAS
- During meetings visitors need to be informed of evacuation plans
- Invite Audrey Berotti, Health and Safety Officer to next meeting.

Meeting concluded at 11:40